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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116,  
98-170 and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

We live in Orange County, California, just south of Los Angeles, and 10 miles from the World Series Champion Anaheim Angels. Safety and security peace of mind are a big deal living here. Anything and everything (good & bad) happens here. We bought a TracFone prepaid wireless service for emergency use only, and carry forward the unused minutes. As a self-employed family we already own a postpaid wireless phone and pay about \$150/month. We cannot afford another phone like that, so we bought a pre-paid phone for the wife and teenage boys to use for emergencies only. All our calls would be local. We already pay for 2 home phone numbers for internet/fax and personal calls, and 2 work phone numbers for business and fax. We don't have cable TV, but we pay a lot for telephone services. Please don't raise the rates - the low TracFone rates is what justified buying another wireless phone just for emergencies. Thanks! We live in another world than when we grew up, and I have r!

read many stories where a cell phone saved lives. Please don't deny anyone the right (low cost) to owning a prepaid TracFone that costs as little as \$10/month. Maybe you could use one in your family, too.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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